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In re Application of:

Alice H. Howe)	Application No: 10/635,873
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TENNIS RACQUET EQUIPPED WITH)
A TENNIS BALL RETRIEVER)
)		Docket No.: MPH 03-13
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Preliminary Amendments

Amending the specification to appropriately recite that the captioned application is a continuing application is made hereby by submitting herewith the first two paragraphs of the revision thereto. Entry of the amendment without withdrawing the application is respectfully requested.

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TENNIS RACQUET EQUIPPED WITH A TENNIS BALL RETRIEVER

This application is a continuing application of U.S. Patent application Serial Number 09/665,743 entitled Tennis Racquet Equipped With a Tennis Ball Retriever filed on behalf of Alice H. Howe on September 6, 2000.

Field of Invention

The present invention relates to a retrieving device and, more particularly, to a retrieving device for attachment upon a tennis racquet so as to retrieve tennis balls therewith.



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